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16 August 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR: Associate Deputy Director for Intelligence

25X1   FROM: William F. Donnelly [ ]
                       Director of Information Technology

SUBJECT: Acceptance of SAFE Requirement   100-7

REFERENCE: Memo from ADDI, dtd 14 August 85, Subject: Directions for SAFE

Dick

1. OIT accepts the requirement stated in paragraph 2 of reference. As we understand the requirement, the DI wants "universal access to SAFE" for all DI personnel. To OIT this means that the DI wants a terminal on the desk of each DI employee. These terminals are to be hooked to the mainframe computers in the Northside Computer Center. These terminals are to provide each employee access to SAFE Delivery 1. I have directed my staff to take appropriate action to modify SAFE requirements to reflect our acceptance of this requirement.

2. Further, as stated in paragraph 3 of reference, the DI will conduct acceptance testing of SAFE Delivery 2 which, hopefully, will lead to acceptance of the software. However, the DI will defer transitioning to the use of Delivery 2 until a plan is devised that does not require that the DI cease adding users to SAFE for an extended period of time.

25X1   3. Comment: The "idea" that there is to be "universal access to SAFE" for all DI employees has been discussed by [ ] in the past over lunch. I was then the Director of Communications. This having been said, written requirements given to ODP for SAFE do not reflect "universal access to SAFE" as a goal to be attained in the near future. The written record states that the objective was to have 500 SAFE users by August 1985, 800 by 1986 and 1,100 by 1987. Unfortunately, as a result, the Northside Computer Center was sized for fewer users in the 1985-87 timeframe than you now hope to give access. This fact has to be faced by both of our organizations. Frankly, it may not be possible at this time, or in the next several months, to have "universal access to SAFE" for all DI employees no matter how hard we try to meet that request.

4. As you are aware, there is the issue of degraded service or reduced reliability. Bob Gates made a particular point of raising this topic when we met in March of this year. I'm new to OIT. The old ODP may not have gone all out to support the DI, but OIT will! However, for a host of reasons, including pride and the reputation of OIT, we don't aim to degrade service or reduce reliability in the course of expanding the number of SAFE terminals in the DI.

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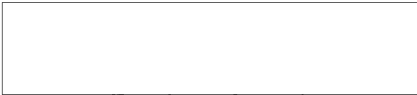
FROM: Richard J. Kerr
                  Associate Deputy Director for Intelligence

SUBJECT: Directions for SAFE

Bill —

     1. You have asked that we lay out in writing how the Directorate of Intelligence wants the SAFE program to proceed.

     2. The Directorate's first priority is access to existing (that is to say, Delivery 1) functionality. This message is not a new one; we have consistently placed universal access to SAFE as our top priority.

     3. As the attached graph shows, transitioning to Delivery 2 under the current plan would seriously impede our progress in working toward access to SAFE for all DI personnel. We are not prepared to defer working toward universal access for the extended period--a year or more--that the plan entails. We will accept delivery of the new software and conduct acceptance testing of it, but we will defer initiating the transition to production use of Delivery 2 until you can devise a plan that does not require that we cease adding users to SAFE for an extended period.

     4. In the interim, we intend to add new users to Delivery 1 as quickly as our training and support resources will permit.

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                                   Richard J. Kerr

Attachment:
  As stated

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SAFE Population Growth

Adding 40 per month

Plot showing Population (Thousands) on the y-axis (ranging 1.3 to 2) versus months from Sep85 to Dec, comparing "Without D2" (□) and "With D2" (+).